

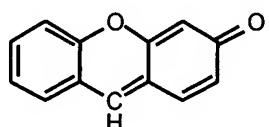
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Amendments to the Specification:

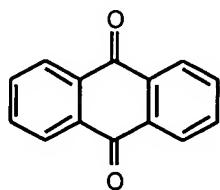
Please replace paragraph [0031] with the following
amended paragraph:

[0031] Those dyes classified as xanthenes and anthraquinones are preferred, particularly those which can be readily solubilized in the (meth)acrylate component in the chosen amount and do not adversely affect the curing of the monomer.

Xanthenes are characterized by the following structure:



Fluorans are a preferred class of xanthene dyes suitable for use in the present invention. Particularly preferred fluorans comprise fluorescein (D&C Yellow #7), dibromofluorescein (D&C Orange #5), diiodofluorescein (D&C Orange #10), tetrabromo fluorescein (D&C Red #21), and tetrabromotetrachlorofluorescein (D&C Red #27, also known as Pylam Red #27). Anthraquinone dyes are characterized by the following structure:



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Preferred anthraquinone dyes are 7,16-dichloro-6,15-dihydro-5,9,14,18-anthrazine-tetrone (D&C Blue #9), the disodium salt of 2,2'-(9,10-dihydro-9,10-dioxo-1,4-anthracenediyl)diimino]bis-[5-methylbenzenesulfonic acid] (D&C Green #5), 1,4-bis(4'-methylanilino)anthraquinone (D&C Green #6), and 1-hydroxy-4-(4'-methylanilino)anthraquinone (D&C Violet #2). D&C is the category of dyes and pigments considered safe for drugs and cosmetics by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration when in contact with mucous membranes or when ingested.